



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/919,045
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Applicant: Ramesh NAGARAJAN et al.
Group Art Unit: 2616
Examiner: Steven Blount
Title: MINIMUM CONTENTION, DISTRIBUTED WAVELENGTH
ASSIGNMENT IN OPTICAL TRANSPORT NETWORKS
Attorney Docket: 129250-002077/US

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RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated March 27, 2006 ("Office Action") and respond as follows.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
Total	14	-	20	=	0
Independent	4	-	4	=	0